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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) are the specification and claims of the nonprovisional patent application of:

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A GATEWAY UNIT, CONTROL METHOD THEREOF, AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEM  
Title of Invention

APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED:

1. X Specification (total pages 81) including:
  - a. 22 pages of claims (24 claims)
  - b. 1 page Abstract
2. X 13 sheets of     informal X formal drawings (Figs. 1-16)
3.     Oath or declaration of Applicant(s) (     total pages)
  - a.     Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b.     Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Item 14 completed)
4.     Deletion of Inventor(s)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
5.     Incorporation By Reference  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied in item 3b is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6.     Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

APPLICATION PARTS ENCLOSED:

7.     An assignment (cover sheet & document(s))
8.     37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (*when there is an assignee*)
9.     Power of Attorney
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10. \_\_\_ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  
     \_\_\_ Copies of IDS Citations
11. \_\_\_ A Preliminary Amendment
12. X Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
13. \_\_\_ A small entity statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27  
     \_\_\_ Statement filed in prior application, status still proper and desired
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16. X Priority of application No. 2000-402494 filed in Japan on December 28, 2000. Applicant hereby  
     claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119.  
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